

# **Appreciation**

1 message

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Mon, Jul 9, 2012 at 9:27 AM

To:



### **Contact with Professor Gates**

2 messages

EricNumis@aol.com < EricNumis@aol.com >

Mon, Jul 16, 2012 at 12:34 PM

To:

Dear Jane

In the Email I sent you on July 16, 2012 concerning Professor Henry Gates it was late at night and I made a few spelling errors and would like to correct them

In line 5 SISTER instead of SUISTERE

In line 7 "tokens or coins issued by the British Anti-Slavery Society" instead of

"British Society"

in line 5 from the bottom "Chilmark" instead of "Chilmark"

I will rewrite the entire Email message of July 16 if you are going to send him a copy.

Sorry to cause you any problem but remember I am 101

Eric

Mon, Jul 16, 2012 at 12:51 PM

To: EricNumis@aol.com

Your email is fine!

I'm sure Gates, whom I met only once, will be interested but I don't know how quickly he replies to correspondence. Give him a 2 sentence introduction about you, your interests, and yes, your age, and then tell him why you are writing.

His email address is:

Keep a copy which I'm sure you will anyway. If you don't hear from him in a reasonable amount of time, resend it.

Good luck!

Meanwhile you are lucky to be away from all this humid, hot weather. I will look forward to seeing you near the end of August. Meanwhile, my love to you and Evelyn and whatever neighbors are in residence.

Jane

[Quoted text hidden]



## Suggestion for ROOTS or otherwise

1 message

EricNumis@aol.com < EricNumis@aol.com>

Tue, Jul 17, 2012 at 5:04 PM

To:

Dear Professor Henry L. Gates::

I have a suggestion for an addition to your program ROOTS. I operate a long established not-- for- profit corporation so no compensation is intended.

Our foundation owns an extremely rare (only three examples known) 1838 American coin containing the legend AM I NOT A MAN AND A BROTHER. There is also a rather common 1838 companion American token with the legend AM I NOT A WOMAN AND A SISTER. Both were issued by the American Anti-Slavery Society in New York in 1838 and were adapted from similar tokens issued by the British Anti-Slavery Society in 1795 with the same legends.

We also have a few of small denomination 18th Century Spanish- American coins which have holes punched in near the edge apparently to be worn on a string around the ankle of a female slave to indicate that she was married.

I hope some of that may be new to you.

I am spending the summer at our Chilmark, Martha's Vineyard residence and plan to attend your August 18, 2012 presentation here. I am available at any time prior to that presentation if you care to talk to me. on the island or from elsewhere. You may come to lunch at or visit me our Vineyard home at any prior mutually convenient time. My life has been partially devoted to research and writing books and articles on American numismatics. (MIT Class of 1932)

The detail of contacting me is

Eric P. Newman 4 Quitsa Lane. Chilmark MA 02535 - 1622

Tel: 314 727 0850 (Same as winter telephone number at my residence in St. Louis, MO) Email as above.

I hope to hear from you.

Eric P. Newman



## **Contact with Proffessor Gates**

1 message

EricNumis@aol.com < EricNumis@aol.com>

Mon, Jul 16, 2012 at 11:14 AM

To:

#### Dear Jane:

I have a suggestion for an addition to the program ROOTS prepared and supervised by Professor Henry L. Gates of Harvard .In my collection I have an extremely rare coin which has the legend AM I NOT A MAN AND A BROTHER. dated 1838. There are only 3 examples known. There is also a common coin with AM I NOT A WOMAN AND A SUISTERE. Both were issued by the American Anti-Slavery Society and were copied from the British Society in 1795. I also have a number of small Spanish American coins which have holes punched into them so as to be worn on the ankles of female slaves on a string apparently in order to show they were married

I do not know how to get in touch with Prof. Gates. He is giving a lecture in Chilmark on August 18, 2012 and customarily spends some off each summer on Martha's Vineyard. Naturally he keeps his contact information private and only leaves his Harvard office Email which does not answer manually.

Do you know him? Do you know how I can get in touch with him? Any suggestions you have would be most appreciated. Naturally this is a voluntary action of our not for profit numismatic corporation

It was great seeing you at the wedding and presume you will return this summer. We will be here all summer.

Our telephone number is 314 727 0850 (same as St. Louis)
Our address is 4 Quitsa Lane, Chilmark MA 02535 -1622
Our St. Louis address after September is 6450 Cecil Ave., St. Louis MO 63105
Our Email is as above.

Our best

Eric